



Town of Northborough

Board of Health

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Members Present: Glenn French
Deirdre O'Connor
Jamie Terry, Board of Health Agent

The Board of Health met on Tuesday, July 10, 2012 in the Selectmen's Meeting Room of the Northborough Town offices. The meeting was called to order at 6:00 PM by Chairman Glenn French.

Mark Farrell of Green Hill Engineering was unable to attend tonight's meeting RE: 249 Church Street. Ms. Terry and the Board discussed the variances that are being requested - offset to foundation (20' required, 12' provided), 16% reduction in size of leach field (1000 sq. ft. required, 840 sq. ft. provided), Northborough local variance request - SAS offset to wetland (100' Required, 62' Provided). Ms. Terry and the Board reviewed and discussed the plan that was submitted for review. Ms. Terry informed the Board that the new proposed system is far more protective than what currently exists in the ground. Chairman Glenn French made a motion to grant the variances requested contingent upon approval from conservation commission, Deirdre O'Connor seconded the motion and the vote was unanimous.

Mark Farrell of Green Hill Engineering was unable to attend tonight's meeting RE: 16 Hemlock Drive. Ms. Terry and the Board discussed the variance that is being requested - 310 CMR 15. 242 / LTAR Effluent Loading Rates. Ms. Terry and the Board reviewed and discussed the plan that was submitted for review. Ms. Terry informed the Board that due to the poor soil at this address they are proposing a Singlair treatment which will pre-treat the effluent that comes out. Ms. Terry states that new system is sized accordingly to the house and that the homeowners are being proactive about what they are putting in the ground. Chairman Glenn French made a motion to grant the variances requested contingent upon DEP requirements for approval, Deirdre O'Connor seconded the motion and the vote was unanimous.

Seth Lajoie of Lajoie & Associates Inc. was unable to attend tonight's meeting RE: 31 Ball Street. Ms. Terry and the Board discussed the variance that is being requested - Offset from proposed well to property line (35' required, 15' provided), and offset to wetlands (100' required, 84' provided). Ms. Terry informed the Board that they are proposing a new, deep well on the property. Ms. Terry states that due to the shape and location of the lot there are not a lot of other options out there.

Chairman Glenn French made a motion to grant the variances requested, contingent upon approval from the conservation commission, Deirdre O'Connor seconded the motion and the vote was unanimous.

Ms. Terry and the Board discussed the irrigation well that was constructed at 6 Church Street – the new site of United Bank. Ms. Terry informed the Board that she approved this construction and the request for a variance - outside of a meeting as it was on the agenda for last month however the Board was unable to meet due to a conflict with schedules. Ms. Terry indicated that there was no neighbor impact.

Ms. Terry and the Board discussed 418 Davis Street. Homeowner has submitted a building permit application for an above ground swimming pool and is unable to meet the required offset to his private drinking water well. Ms. Terry and the Board discussed the variance being requested - Offset from proposed above ground swimming pool to existing drinking water well (25' Required, 15' Provided). Chairman Glenn French made a motion to grant the variance request, Deirdre O'Connor seconded the motion and the vote was unanimous.

Ms. Terry and the Board discussed the most recent food inspections that were performed.

Ms. Terry informed the Board that Wal-Mart had a large amount of expired food that was pulled from the shelves. Ms. Terry informed the Board that there were fruit flies on certain soft skin items in the store (onions, cantaloupes, mangoes, peaches, plums & grapefruit). Ms. Terry gave the store a few days to mitigate this problem, however upon her re-inspection today the store manager has agreed to remove these certain items. Ms. Terry informed the Board that she will return to the store early next week to evaluate the harder skin items (potatoes, watermelons, etc...).

Ms. Terry informed the Board that the Peaslee School had three critical violations. Ms. Terry spoke with Maura Feeley who is the director of food services and she was working with the staff to correct the issues.

Ms. Terry informed the Board that Honey Farms located at 369 West Main Street had some expired food that was pulled from the shelves. Ms. Terry informed the store manager that the store must be maintained or they will be brought before the Board of Health.

Ms. Terry informed the Board that she would like to discuss the proposed changes to the Tobacco regulations at the next meeting in order to prepare for a public hearing in September.

The next Board of Health meeting is scheduled for Tuesday, August 14, 2012 at 6:00 PM.

Meeting was adjourned at 7:55 PM

Respectfully submitted

Sarah Jean

